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## COMMENT OF THE DAY

### Bold Action

THE British Government has extended the Council of Europe's Convention of Human Rights to 42 overseas territories, though interestingly enough, Hong Kong, together with Brunel, Aden Protectorate and the New Hebrides, are excluded, due to what have been described as technical reasons. But already critics in Britain are attacking the Government for this decision. It is argued that it has forged a weapon which will doubtless be used against it by opponents of the British colonial system. And the records of the United Nations bear witness to the pertinacity of those opponents and their readiness to seize such an opportunity. The voices of the critics might have been stilled had the Government explained in detail the implications of the decision to grant the Convention to the colonies. It is in the very boldness of the official announcement that has provided the target. As it stands at the moment, the critics complain, the decision causes the unwarranted implication that up to now Britain has not been observing the provisions of the Convention in administering her colonies and that, for some unexplained reason, she has suffered a change of heart.

IT is necessary, however, to appreciate the other side of the picture. The British Government has signed the Convention of Human Rights and extended it to the majority of its colonies with a conscience clear in the knowledge that the provisions of the Convention already apply to overseas British territories. There is no need to expect any sudden or sweeping changes in the way the colonies are run. Nor is there any justification for anticipating a flood of petitions to Strasbourg from the colonies, or international supervision of British colonial administration. In contrast to similar documents—the Convention—is eminently practicable. It may be taken for granted, however, that the British Government is not blind to the anti-British propaganda which can be generated by a wilfully wrong interpretation of the extension of the Convention to the colonies. At the same time it is recognised that goodwill generated by its action will more than offset any potentially dangerous propaganda.

## NEW TOP-LEVEL BIG 3 MEETING PLANNED

### Discussions On The World Situation

Washington, Nov. 9. A diplomatic official said tonight that President Eisenhower, Sir Winston Churchill, British Prime Minister, and the French Premier, Mr. Joseph Laniel, had agreed to meet in Bermuda during early December.

The official said the meeting had already been arranged and would be announced formally in the three Western capitals soon.

The main purpose of the meeting, he said, would be to discuss Germany's future in the light of the Soviet Union's refusal to attend any meeting aimed at German unification.

Sir Winston's suggestion for a Big-Four meeting, to include the Soviet Premier, Mr. Georgi Malenkov, might also be discussed, the official added, but he said the main emphasis of the meeting would be on starting a new Western policy towards Germany.

Sir Winston is reported to have suggested the meeting to Mr. Eisenhower within the past few days in an effort to be sure Western polities were co-ordinated to face the apparent Soviet unwillingness to make any concessions to the West.

The United States, British and French differences, while the Soviet Union were topics on the agenda for an Eisenhower-Churchill-Laniel conference rescheduled for Bermuda's law.

The Bermuda conference of the Big Three, planned to take place in Bermuda on July 8, was postponed because of Sir Winston Churchill's illness.

The Prime Minister stated on his return to duty that he was still anxious to meet President Eisenhower.

Though Mr. Dulles emphasised the German problem today, diplomatic quarters here believe the "Big Three" will have a detailed review of world problems.

These would include Far Eastern, Southeast Asian and Middle East problems, particularly Communist China's future role in International affairs, Korea, and the French war in Indo-China.

If there were no settlement of the Anglo-Egyptian dispute over the evacuation of Britain's 70,000-strong Suez zone garrisons, this would also be discussed by the three-heads of Government, it is thought.

The three Western leaders have been exchanging ideas

about staging their postponed Bermuda meeting ever since their Foreign Ministers met in London for a three-day conference last month; it is understood.

### FRESH IMPETUS

Last week's Soviet note demanding the abandonment of the European Army plan as a condition for a four-power meeting on Germany gave a fresh impetus to this proposal.

The Russian note suddenly threw the Western Powers with what they regarded as a move designed to upset their plans for building up the Atlantic Pact nations' defences against Communism. They have already agreed to reject the Russian demand.

But the repeated postponement of ratification of the European Army through which Germany is due to contribute 500,000 troops to Allied defence and the present gloomy prospect for ratification by France is causing concern throughout the Atlantic Alliance, and especially

In London and Washington. Not only is the delay holding up what the Atlantic Pact's Chiefs of Staff say is a vital German contribution, but it is also withholding from Federal Germany the near sovereign status she would obtain under the Bonn Convention linked to the European Army treaty.

Officials here have denied that any plans are being made to implement or partially implement the Bonn agreement before final approval is given to the army merger.

But Sir Winston Churchill is known to be anxious to press ahead with measures designed to give West Germany full nationhood. Only tonight he said he had driven even since World War II to bring Germany back to the world family of free nations.

"There is no luxury so shameful and so costly as hatred and revenge," he declared.

### A SUGGESTION

Sir Winston Churchill is expected to take up with President Eisenhower and M. Laniel in Bermuda the suggestion he made recently that Germany should be brought into some form of direct association with the Atlantic Pact, if the European Army plan continued to fester.

Whether or not he will again take up the plan he made last June for direct informal talks between the "Big Three" and M. Georgi Malenkov, the Russian Prime Minister, is open to conjecture, the source said.

Lack of evidence that Soviet foreign policy underwent a fundamental change as a result of Stalin's death, is believed to have made Churchill think again.

When he was questioned about his plan in the House of Commons last week, he warned that a top-level meeting of the four powers might result in a "worse deadlock" than there was present.

In any case, diplomatic quarters here consider it certain that such a move would be strongly resisted by both Presidents Eisenhower and M. Laniel at the Bermuda meeting.

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THE WEATHER—Light, variable mainly Southerly winds, freshening from East or North-East tonight. Fair, becoming cloudy tonight, with patches of drizzle developing later. Warm, becoming cooler tonight.

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## Among The Ruins



Delegates of the Arab League Political Committee, now meeting at Amman, paid a visit to the Jordan frontier villages, including that of Quibya, where they inspected some of the damage caused by the recent attack on them by soldiers of the Israeli Regular Army. Here villagers sit among the damage caused by the recent aggression—London Express.

## British Army Requisitions Famed Trieste Night Club

Trieste, Nov. 9. The British Army today requisitioned the plush "Rouge et Noir" night club, meeting place of Trieste's smart set. It was believed that the club would be used by Army officers.

Official explanation was that the club had been taken over for security reasons.

The club forms part of one of the largest hotels here. Half of the hotel is already requisitioned for officers' billets.

It was believed that security authorities were worried about Army officers and local civilians mingling together late at night.

The hotel proprietors intervened today with zone commander General Sir John Winter, in an effort to have the requisition order cancelled.

They pointed out that if the authorities felt security threatened, they should either order officers not to use the club or else close it down entirely.

### VIOLENT CLASH

Trieste, Nov. 9. A violent clash between the civil police and bands of young demonstrators took place tonight before the offices of the Slav language newspaper "Primorsky Dnevnik" in Trieste. —France-Presse.

Local reaction to the news of the commanding coming a day after the funeral of six riot victims, was unfavourable. Many Italians here thought the timing was bad. They feared it would be interpreted as a "selfish gesture."—China Mail Special.

**FULL SUPPORT** London, Nov. 9. Mr. John Foster Dulles, United States Secretary of State, and Mr. Anthony Eden, the British Foreign Secretary, today voiced full support for General Sir John Winter, British zone commander blamed by the Italians for last week's Trieste riots.

The United States has complete confidence in the General, Mr. Dulles said. He has the "full support" of the British Government, Mr. Eden declared.

Both the Foreign Ministers are busy with exchanges about Trieste also involving the French.

A Foreign Ministry spokesman in Paris said the three countries were holding "active consultations" about the Trieste question.

In London the British Cabinet met to discuss Italian protests at the handling of the riots in the much disputed port, now once again calm. Mr. Eden met

last Christmas he was playing the bagpipes at a public pantomime performance for £10 a week.—China Mail Special.

## Fish Price War In Britain

### Cod Given Away To Housewives

Birmingham, Nov. 9. Birmingham fishmongers took up the challenge of a cockney scrap iron millionaire George Dawson, who touched off the price war by bringing in consignments of Icelandic fish caught in defiance of a current boycott by British fishermen of the Icelandic catch.

Crowds besieged two stores in this midland city as word got around that the owners were giving away fish to all comers.

The fishmongers said they were handing out their best cod gratis to thwart cockney millionaire George Dawson, who touched off the price war by bringing in consignments of Icelandic fish caught in defiance of a current boycott by British fishermen of the Icelandic catch.

Sixty-four pounds of cod were given away, 1,400 pounds of cod fillet for one day following the example of Bernard Hinley, who traded a few shillings a stone less than the market price.

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Meanwhile, a member firm on the Fish Merchants Association at the northwest coast port of Grimsby was "frozen out" of the market this morning because it bought fish from Dawson on the previous day.

The proposal came in the form of an amendment to a fourteen-nation resolution in the Political Committee of the United Nations General Assembly.

The resolution asked the deadlocked Disarmament Commission to try again to find agreement between the West and the Soviet Union.

The Indian amendment was submitted after Mr. Henry Cabot Lodge, the United States delegate, had said that despite the discouraging nature of the recent Soviet note to the Western powers, the United States still hoped the Kremlin would join in developing a disarmament programme.

Mr. Henry Cabot Lodge said earlier in the debate that the United States was prepared to dedicate itself with "renewed vigour" to all efforts in the Disarmament Commission to achieve agreement on a comprehensive disarmament programme.

The resolution included a proposal to end rationing and price control of meat and bacon next summer and the restoration of meat imports from Government to private buyers.

The Commons rejected a Labour motion accusing the Government of bringing "confusion and uncertainty" into the industry through "vagillation" by 311 votes to 275.—Reuter.

**Impecunious Peer May Go To Gaol**

London, Nov. 9. Bagpipe-playing Lord Glenorchy, 34-year-old son and heir of the wealthy Scottish Earl of Breadalbane and Holland, was today given 28 days to pay £80 maintenance arrears to Lady Glenorchy—or go to gaol for 28 days.

But Lord Glenorchy, wearing the title of the famous Scottish regiment of the Black Watch in which he was once an officer, told the London divorce court he could not pay.

Lord Glenorchy appeared personally in tweed suit and sandals to answer a summons to show why he had fallen behind in paying £2.10 a week to his wife from whom he is living apart.

He said in court that early this year, he had sold for £5,000 his rights as an inheritance, but the money had either gone in payment of various fees and costs or was invested.

The tall, handsome Peer, who has tried to earn his living in many ways, was educated at Eton and Sandhurst.

His title has cost him a lot of jobs. He was a professional wrestler until his promoter found out he was an Earl and wanted to bill him under his full title. He left a police pipe band when his title leaked out.

Then he worked as a labourer. A Foreign Ministry spokesman in Paris said the three countries were holding "active consultations" about the Trieste question.

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**Agricultural Policies Backed**

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**College For Ex-Slave Girl**

London, Nov. 9. The young Arab ex-slave girl, Jean Khuwailib, was today separated from her English sailor husband, Tommy Flynn, who smuggled her into the country aboard his ship. The 19-year-old bride is to enter a London college. She speaks fairly fluent English and now wants to learn French.

Meanwhile, her husband, after a ten-day honeymoon, went back to his work at Middlesbrough and was awaiting the result of his appeal against a court sentence of three months' imprisonment for having helped the girl to enter the country illegally.

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## Monarch Dies



Above is a photograph of King Ibn Saud of Saudi Arabia who died yesterday after an illness.

## Election Day Shooting In Cebu

Manila, Nov. 10. The first Election Day shooting was reported today from Cebu City, one of the country's political "hot spots".

At the same time, the first case of Election Day coercion of voters was reported from Porsac, a town in the Central Luzon province of Pampanga.

A Philippine News Service dispatch said a prominent Nacionalista leader, Delfin Lopez, was shot, allegedly by a detective, in the presence of the Liberal Cebu City Mayor, Vicente del Rosario.

The report said it could not be determined immediately whether Lopez died.

Another dispatch said residents of four villages in the Porne area complained to the provincial Governor and the Mayor of Porne that an Army officer assigned to the area told them to vote for President Quirino and other Liberal Party candidates.

The officer, a lieutenant, was quoted as having said to the villagers: "You should vote for Quirino because it would be shameful for me if Quirino lost in the place where I am assigned."

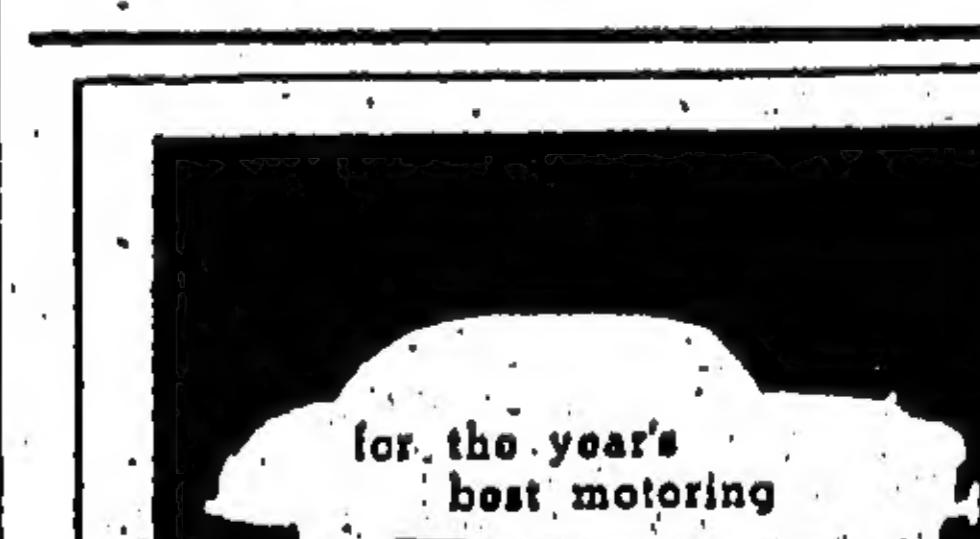
The Constabulary commander in Pampanga was reported to have asked the Army to recall the lieutenant.—United Press.

## ATTACKED BY MISTAKE

Birmingham, Alabama, Nov. 9. Louis Turner, 24-year-old Negro, told hospital attendants he had knife wounds apparently resulted from sixteen stones.

She said another Negro woman, who never saw before accepted her on a street, slashed her four times with a knife, then said, "Oh, I'm sorry," and disappeared.

Grimsby Town Council met to decide whether legal action should be taken against Dawson for breaking the boycott of Icelandic fish.—United Press.



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# Filipinos Going To Polls Today: Climax Of Most Bitter Presidential Election

More than 5,000,000 Filipinos go to the polls today to climax the most bitterly contested election in the history of the Philippine Republic.

In its second presidential election since gaining independence, the young nation will choose between the incumbent, President Elpidio Quirino, 62, and 46-year-old Ramon Magsaysay, his challenger.

Also up for election was the Vice-Presidency, one-third of the 24-seat Senate and the entire 102-seat House of Representatives.

Balloting was to start at 7 a.m. and end at 6 p.m.

Election officials expected that a trend would start to develop within 24 hours after the polls close.

Unless the voting is uncommonly close the winner should be known unofficially within two days.

In at least 12 of the country's 52 provinces voters will go to the polls with the threat of violence and bloodshed hanging over their heads.

## MAIN ISSUE

The National Commission on Elections gave the Constabulary (National Police) virtual control of these areas to prevent the use of heavily armed partisan Police forces and so-called "private armies."

In the 48 hours preceding the election dozens of reports of arson and small-scale terrorism poured into the office of the Commission on Elections. All the reports were referred to the Constabulary for investigation and necessary action.

Election conditions in these critical areas closely paralleled those preceding the infamous

graft charges.

Martinez, popular former Defense Secretary, who broke with Quirino after breaking the back of the Communist-led Huks叛乱 movement, ran on a platform of "turn the rascals out."

He charged the Government with large-scale corruption, inefficiency, graft, favouritism and general all-known incompetence.

The campaign, which started more than six months ago, reached an all-time high in bitterness and inventiveness.

Charges and counter-charges of extortion, theft, murder, concubinage and others were hurled by both sides.

While only two Manila newspapers took an editorial stand—both for Magsaysay—the majority of the Press conducted a slashing attack against Quirino and his Administration.

## BOTH CONFIDENT

Privately, more than 90 per cent of the Manila newsmen were in favour of the challenger.

Liberal Party officials predicted in the campaign that Magsaysay's popularity would fade in the closing days. The opposite happened, however, with increasingly huge crowds mobbing him wherever he appeared.

Both sides predicted victory with majorities from 500,000 to 1,000,000.

A Magsaysay spokesman predicted: "It can go only two ways—a landslide for Magsaysay in a clean election or Quirino in a stolen one. Before it appears, it might be close because of the Liberal machine, but they have lost control. They are breaking up."

President Quirino said, however: "My Party will not create any trouble."—United Press.

## Food Parcels Fall Off

Wellington, Nov. 9. Food parcels from New Zealand to Britain slumped from one million in 1948 to about 100,000 last year, the Post Office announced.

As the food position in Britain improved so the parcels fell off but New Zealanders are now sending more gift packages of the ordinary kind.

Over 1,250,000 packages in all were posted to Britain five years ago. The total last year was 350,000—China Mail Special.

"The Army's Bravest" The Queen has appointed a new Military Knight of Windsor. He is Lieutenant-Colonel Laurence Holbeck, who was described in a citation in 1918 as "The bravest man in the British Army."

The Military Knights are all distinguished elderly officers. They are given quarters in Windsor Castle and a small stipend. The Order was founded in 1348 to assist English knights, who, having been captured by the French, were impoverished by paying heavy ransoms.

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# World In An Awful Muddle But Position. Not Hopeless

CHURCHILL REVIEWS FOREIGN AFFAIRS

London, Nov. 9.  
Emir Saud, eldest of King Ibn Saud's sons, has had the same battle training as his father in preparation for his automatic succession as "Lord of Arabia."

The 52-year-old Crown Prince was quickly trained up on the hardships of the desert.

Until his father's death, Prime Minister and Commander-in-Chief of Saudi Arabia's armed forces, Emir Saud has been trained in diplomacy. He has travelled extensively all over the Arab world, Europe and the United States. In 1947 he visited the United States and was given the Legion of Merit by President Truman. On his return journey, the Crown Prince was the guest of the British Government for a week in London.

Emir Saud has preserved the essentials inherent in his faith.

In his own words, his rule of life is: "Man should advise himself before advising his brother Mectens and likewise purify his intentions that his good deeds may be acceptable to God."

The new King's brother, Faisal, now Crown Prince and Prime Minister, is the "cosmopolitan" of the family and better-known abroad than the rest.

#### DESERT FIGHTER

Thoroughly versed in world affairs, he has a reputation for quick-witted shrewdness. When he was 17 he led the desert Bedouins in the campaign to annex Asir.

He was still in his teens when his father sent him to London to learn at first hand where Britain stood on Arabo questions. He visited almost every European country except Russia and Poland.

During World War II, the Emir Faisal took part in the San Francisco conference which drew up the United Nations Charter. Ever since he has been the principal Saudi Arabian representative to the world organisation.

The old King's fifth son, Prince Sultan Abd al-Aziz, has hitherto served as Minister of the Interior. Every day he held court to receive the visits of tribal chieftains and Bedouin delegates coming to discuss their problems.—China Mail Special.

## Japanese Appeal To Britain

### To Ask Release Of War Criminals

London, Nov. 10.  
A Japanese Government envoy will appeal to Foreign Office officials today for the release of 104 of the Japanese war criminals sentenced by British courts.

The envoy — Mr. Yutaka Tsuji, Chairman of the War Criminals Litigation and Protection Committee — flew up Friday from New York after talks in Washington on Japanese war criminals.

Mr. Tsuji is carrying a Japanese Government appeal to six Governments — the United States, Britain, Australia, France, the Netherlands and the Philippines — for the release of 860 B and C class war criminals, those sentenced for war crimes and crimes against humanity.

Under the Japanese peace treaty, these prisoners can only be released before the expiration of their sentences if permission is given by the countries where courts passed sentence.

Of the criminals concerned, 325 were sentenced by the United States, 104 by Britain, 205 by Holland, 171 by Australia, 52 by the Philippines and three by France.

Among the officials — Mr. Tsuji will see will be Mr. John Pitcher, head of the Foreign Office, Japan Department.

Mr. Tsuji plans to fly to Hongkong and Indonesia shortly where she is to shoot a film.—France-Press.

## Japanese Star To Make Film In Hongkong

Paris, Nov. 9.

Isamu Neguchi, husband of Japan's leading movie star, Yoshiko Shirley Yamaguchi, joined his wife tonight at the hotel in the Latin Quarter where she has been staying since her arrival in Paris last week.

The sculptor arrived from New York this evening. He is to discuss with his glamorous wife the couple's future plans following the State Department's refusal under the McCarran Act to allow Miss Yamaguchi to re-enter the United States.

Miss Yamaguchi intends to fly to Hongkong and Indonesia shortly where she is to shoot a film.—France-Press.

## Training Camps For Jap Farmers

Tokyo, Nov. 10.

The Japanese Ministry for Construction has plans for establishing a "Youth Corps for Industrial Development" in an effort to solve unemployment in rural districts.

Because the majority of Japan's farms are so small, only the eldest son inherits any land and younger sons are usually left without employment.

The Ministry's plan is to build 20 training camps, with accommodation for 500 youths, in 10 prefectures.

Unmarried men and women between the ages of 18 and 25 will be eligible for admission. They will be able to stay in the camp for one year.

A Ministry spokesman said that a general education course would include mathematics, current topics and training in the use of the abacus. About 100 youths, who proved to be outstanding, would be given a course in engineering technology.

At the end of the course, jobs would be found for the young people, although this is likely to prove difficult. Japan's labour market is already over-crowded and many University and College students are finding difficulty in getting employment.

Young people today, as for many years past, continually leave the countryside for the big cities in search of employment, usually without success.

During the last quarter of the 19th century, when Japan was developing from an agricultural to an industrial nation, the new industrial centres of Tokyo, Kobe and Osaka absorbed hundreds of thousands of youths every year. But saturation point was reached several years ago and today there is little room for newcomers in the over-crowded cities.—China Mail Special.

## Youth Breaks Neck A Second Time

London, Nov. 9.

Eric Hall, 17, has broken his neck a second time.

The first time was in 1950

after a fall in the school

gymnasium. Now he is in hospital after a school rugby game.

—China Mail Special.

# THEY CHEATED HIM

By J. W. TAYLOR

**A**T Firwood, near Bolton, in the Lancashire cotton-spinning belt, they are remembering Samuel Crompton, the farmer's son, born there 200 years ago, who invented the cotton spinning "mule" which contributed more than any single machine to the progress and prosperity of the cotton industry, although the inventor himself benefited little by his ingenuity. He was betrayed by his friends, who preyed on his lack of ordinary common sense and business acumen.

Crompton became fatherless at five when the family moved to Hall-i'-Wood, to a small holding whose pecuniary returns were implemented by the manufacture of small items of clothing on the simple hand loom. As he toiled day and night, Crompton visualised a machine that could turn out yarn less brittle than that which was always breaking away from the spinning Jenny machine invented by Hor-greaves.

## Experiments

From his twenty-second year to his twenty-seventh, Crompton experimented on this machine. His tools were scanty, comprising a few left by his father and a clasp knife. Others he bought with what he could afford out of his meagre earnings.

Partly to replenish his tool box and partly because of his love for music, Crompton played the violin in the orchestra of the Bolton Theatre for the modest "fee" of eighteenpence a night. Meanwhile, he worked each late night on his secret cotton spinning machine. In 1770, his wheel was completed and proved extremely satisfactory in spinning yarn for the manufacture of muslins of a fine and delicate texture. He called his new invention the "mule."

Crompton and his wife, whom he married in 1780, devoted themselves to spinning fine yarn, and could obtain their own price for the superior material which they alone could furnish. But the secret of where the yarn was produced could not be hid for long. They found themselves the centre of purchasers, pryers and envious spinners who resorted to every kind of spying.

## Disappointed

Unfortunately, Crompton failed to procure a patent for his spinning mule machine, but sold the idea to about 80 firms, who agreed to pay him subscription. Many, however, defrauded, and all he received was about £50. Bitterly disappointed and resentful, Crompton set about the task of claiming a national reward from the government, and toured the cotton manufacturing districts, where his machine was being used to obtain evidence to substantiate his claim.

Eventually in February 1812, it was agreed to give him £20,000, but once again he received a bitter blow, for with the premature death of Spencer Perceval, the then Chancellor of the Exchequer, he lost his friend and champion, and in the end this grant was whittled down to a mere £5,000.

# WELL, IT MIGHT HAVE HAPPENED



"REPORT AT ONCE STOP DELIVER PETROL CONSIGNMENT CHARLIE BLOGGS GARAGE WINKLE STREET S.E.1 STOP" Where did this order come from, my man?"

London Express Service

# Fear Is Still The Reds' Main Weapon

By DENNIS BARDENS

**T**HE sentence of 12 years' imprisonment passed on the Roman Catholic Bishop of Kielce in Poland on the familiar charges of anti-State propaganda and "espionage" is a reminder that the Communist leopard has not changed its spots. Three other priests were sentenced at the same time to periods of imprisonment ranging from eight to 10 years.

The trial ran true to pattern, the Bishop confessing in a long statement, which took several hours to read, to a series of alleged misdeeds which were traced back even to his youth. It must have taken much preparation — but then, the Bishop had been three years under arrest.

There are numerous unhappy precedents which show that the Secret Police are remarkably successful in extracting confessions from their prisoners. Questioning often continues for days at a time, with the victim denied sleep or food. Accusations are repeated, not once but hundreds of times, until the prisoner is too exhausted to deny them. But not until the prisoner signs the required statement is he brought before a court for, since trials often have a propaganda motive, the confession is important.

That it took three years to extract Bishop Kaczmarek's "confession" is a

tribute to his endurance and integrity.

This trial, of course, had a special purpose; it was meant to intimidate the Polish Roman Catholic hierarchy into becoming the instrument of Communism. It attracted attention because it was widely publicised. The ordinary citizen, arrested secretly and often tried without appearing in a court at all, does not even have the dubious respite of three years of "preparation." He is whisked off to the labour camp, the prison, or the execution yard whenever the State desires it.

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It is worth remembering this, for numerous concessions which have been made since Stalin's death could make us over-optimistic. What do these concessions amount to? A Russian wife is allowed, belatedly, to rejoin her husband in England; a few extra visas are granted to journalists wishing to travel to Russia; "norms" of production, which had overtaxed the strength and capacity of the working unit, are now some easing of collectivisation and some cancellation of fines, imposed for the non-fulfilment of impossible targets.

Behind them all is the vast apparatus of forced labour camps, concentration camps, secret or "fixed" trials, extorted confessions, and the rest.

Is it possible to live anything approaching a normal life in an atmosphere poisoned by fear? For fear is

the most inhibiting of all human emotions. Edmund Burke, that fierce 18th century champion of freedom, declared: "No passion so effectively robs the mind of all its powers of acting and reasoning as fear."

Because of the over-riding powers of the Secret Police in the Soviet Union and its satellite countries, the impact of fear extends to the smallest detail of living. How is carefree conversation possible when you cannot trust your neighbour when an indiscreet word may mean exile in Siberia? How can the human desire to help others flourish in countries where the mere association with anyone who falls foul of authority may mean punishment — the punishment of everyone the accused person knew?

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The Soviet MVD alone is estimated to number between 100,000 and 200,000 people, apart from the armed forces it maintains for special purposes. By a decree of 1935 every large village has its system of informers, euphemistically described as "rural executives." Besides this there is an agent in every office, flat, factory, or Service unit.

To a handful of people affected by the recent concessions, life may be just a little less unpleasant. But so long as Communism bases its power on the Secret Police the peoples of Russia and Eastern Europe must continue to be ruled by fear.

The only trouble with Stephen Barlow, in fact, is that he will be 40 next birthday, and he can smell autumn in the air.

You are a man with reason to believe that you have fought the major battles of your emotional life. You are established professionally. You have been married for more than ten years to an attractive wife, and you love her.

So far as your personal affairs are concerned, in fact, things couldn't be smoother or more agreeable.

And yet, as you contemplate your fortieth birthday and the placid middle age that lies ahead, you feel an unhappy pain and a sense of sadness that isn't just the first rheumatic twinge at the approach of winter.

## DANGEROUS

IT is the dangerous age when a man sighs for one, just one, more romantic encounter before he finally settles down. And if, at that moment, a dewy-eyed girl in her teens walks into your life and says she adores you, then take a grip on yourself, brother, for there is trouble in the air.

If you will glance for a moment at the pictures above, you will see the two principal characters in the Personal Affair of which I was the unhappy onlooker.

The girl is my daughter Barbara. A good girl, just going on 17 years of age, with no fault in the world except that she has a large, young and inexperienced heart — a heart which is about to fall in love for the first time.

The man is Stephen Barlow, and it is on him that her greedy affection is pouring itself. Nothing wrong with him either. He is happily married to a lovely woman. He is admired in our community as a talented teacher and a sincere man.

## ROMANTIC!

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# Personal Affair

## THE STORY OF A FILM EVERWHERE PRAISED FOR ITS UNDERSTANDING

### OF A GIRL IN LOVE

The story is told here by the father of the girl whose love for a married man, a strictly Personal Affair, brings crisis to two families.

SOMEONE once asked me what was the most pathetic sight in the world, and it didn't take me more than a minute to think it over and reply: "It's the sad spectacle of a middle-aged and respectable man trying to resist the advances of a 17-year-old girl who obviously thinks he is wonderful."

I don't know how old you are, but let's imagine for a moment that you are nudging your balding head and reluctant way out of the late thirties into the autumnal forties.

### SUDDENLY THE WIFE KNEW— AND CRISIS GREW

Presented By LEONARD MOSLEY



He smells it as he strides the classroom of the grammar school in our small Midland town, reading poetry to girls before her, she lets her feelings take control of her head. She looked at Barbara and said: "You think you're in love with my husband, don't you?" And, as my daughter looked shattered at the sudden words, she went on: "No, don't say anything. But have you thought how embarrassing it might be for him?"

"As if I would ever embarrass him," Barbara flushed back.

"Are you in love with him?"

"No, I never said that!" Barbara rose in a panic. "Please let me go home."

## IN TEARS

SHE was in tears now, and then Kay Barlow made the fatal move. Like too many wives before her, she let her feelings take control of her head.

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## LOVED HIM

SHE was in tears now, and then Kay Barlow was beginning to realise what can happen when your tongue is bigger than your brain. "I seem to have stirred something up. I'm so sorry..."

But Barbara was in tears and pained by that time. "I'm going home. I must. Please forgive me." And she dashed out.

By the time Stephen Barlow came back she had gone. And then as if to justify herself, his wife did the second stupid thing of the evening. Having made Barbara aware of the emotion she felt for Stephen, she now proceeded to make her husband aware of it too.

"Didn't you know that girl is madly in love with you?" she said. "Why did you bring her here?"

Said Stephen: "Do you suppose I spend my days wondering whether one of my pupils is in love with me? Be your age."

"It's you who should be your age," Kay replied. "There's been something about you lately. You sit behind a book, and you're not reading it. You sit in a chair and go off into a trance. Are you going back on a nostalgic journey to your own youth? You're 40. It's you who should be your age."

## FRIGHTENED!

WHICH is a silly thing to say to a husband, you must admit.

"What did you tell that girl?" he asked, angrily. "That she was in love with you? Have you forgotten how serious one is at that age — how vulnerable?"

He went out of the room and put on his coat.

"Where are you going?" she asked, suddenly realising what a fool she had been. "You're not going to see her, Stephen. Are you?" I beg you not to go," she said. "I must explain to her."

At which he left the house and went to a telephone and called to Barbara and told her to meet him down by the river. And at home Kay Barlow waited, wondering what her husband and the girl were saying and doing, frightened that he would not come back.

Stephen Barlow came back all right later that night. But my daughter Barbara did not that night or the one after that either.

Which shows how tragedy can suddenly fill the innocent air where a man is 40 and feeling restless, a young girl turns the first page of her life. In his susceptible condition, and there is a wife in the background who does not know when to keep her mouth shut.

## TOMORROW

Pear strikes Kay

# MUST HUMANITY HAVE A NEW RELIGION?

BY LES ARMOUR

London. IS humanity really "moving forward?"

Lord Samuel thinks not. And, perhaps of all men, Lord Samuel may have the best answer.

For he was the man chosen by the Hibbert Trust to give the Cambridge lecture marking its centenary. In 1953, Robert Hibbert, a Jamaica merchant, endowed the Trust "to spread Christianity in its most simple and intelligible form" and to "promote the right of private judgment in matters of religion."

Also, population pressure on food supplies is greater than ever, and a far greater amount of energy is despatched "building up armaments to preserve the peace."

None of the theological panacea have worked.

"Doctrines of progress, doctrines of economic determinism, have failed."

The Hibbert lectures have included all the great philosophers of the century and many of the world's great religious thinkers.

It is likely then, that Lord Samuel was talking sense.

And how would Lord Samuel make possible this "working in concert?"

It should, he says, be the business of philosophy. If philosophy had degenerated, it has caused two "equally futile

On the one hand, it has become bogged with over-subtle futile arguments about problems of no significance. On the other, it has refused to face the real problems and wasted its energies on "bloodless" linguistics."

Philosophy must be "awakened" and it's back to the real problems. But, even then, Lord Samuel does not think it can provide the final answer.

Philosophy is concerned only with reason — and man is also a creature of emotion.

In the end, "only religion can enlist all the powers of human nature."

But not, he thinks, religion as it appears at the moment. If "man is given a shape less strange and unfamiliar to the physical forms of the universe can eventually make the world better."

Tell me," she said with child charm, "whose idea was it that you should have extra coaching?"

"Mr. Barlow," replied Barbara.

"What do the others say? Doesn't this individual attention suggest favouritism?"

Barbara looked uncomfortable.

"Oh no," she said uneasily. "He would do the same for anyone."

What does he do?

Does he work?

Does he go to school?

Does he play football?

Does he eat well?

Does he sleep well?

Does he go to bed early?

Does he wake up early?

Does he eat breakfast?

Does he go to school?

Does he go to bed early?

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## Colonel UP and Mr. DOWN... by Walter

• BY • THE • WAY •  
by Beachcomber

THAT devotion to a free democracy which impels so many of our politicians to make pilgrimages to Yugoslavia is only partly responsible for their devastation of Spain.

Inspired by Mr. Attlee's flaming rhetoric at Blackpool, a number of literate and learned men have raised the litter question. Their findings are disturbing. There are no little boxes for used bus tickets in Aragon, and in the wholeompson's report on the secret service for the Prevention of Unrest. The question of the admission of the Chinese free democracy to UNO will probably be left over to the next session. I recommend a pamphlet by Professor Goveas: "The Price of Rubbish in the Modern State."

## Save your breath to cool your horse

Regular breathing is most important.

WATCH those strong men who balance cat-horses on their chests. Irregular breathing makes the horse ill at ease, but if the rise and fall of the chest is controlled, the horse moves more like that of a ship at sea, and the heart can keep its balance.

## Suek weakens

FOR two hours Minnie Sloperine sat in Suek's office, filling up

"Wind variable on high ground."



## YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

## TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10

BORN today, the stars have given you outstanding talents. But, as if to tease you, they will often play the way of your progress. Yet if you show determination and grit, you will eventually reach a goal which goes beyond your wildest dreams and ambitions. You have keen intuitions and should always follow them for the best possible results. For you to take a wrong turn, or others to make a mistake!

You have a strongly defined spiritual nature and might become an important leader in the field of religion. You will fight hard for what you believe and will exert your influence to the full. You are rather more "impulsive" than you should be and this tends to make you erratic at times. If you learn

## WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 23)—Expected to party, be sure to accept. You should have a little variety for a change. Enjoy.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Set aside time and money for it if you want to let the maximum production out of this day.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 21-Jan. 20)—Much better not to depend upon friends for help in attempting to solve a personal problem today. Do everything yourself.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Start out with a fresh start and go to the next, if you want to get a lot done today.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—Time to think a little about adding to that savings account. Cultivate a tendency toward extravagance.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19)—You can make a very substantial amount of money if you apply yourself.

TAURUS (Apr. 20-May. 20)—Be very careful not to get into an argument with someone you really don't like.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21)—It suggestions for bettement are made by someone who is really an expert. You hold your position.

CANCER (June 22-July 22)—It may be your lot to bring joy and happiness to a close friend. In doing so, you will be happy.

LIBRA (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)—Responsibilities may look extra large today, but you should be able to prove yourself equal to them.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 22)—The loss of valuable is possible if you are not careful to guard your possessions. Take no risks.

## DUMB-BELLS



**SOLUTION TO CHESS PUZZLE YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE**

**WHAT'S HER LINE?**

**ANSWER TOMORROW**

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## WOMANSENSE

## If You Earn More Than Your Husband Is Making...

By Anne Heywood

"I HAVE a terrific problem," one reader writes, "and I know you will understand."

To her, I would give a warning.

Unless she can get a straighter sense of values, and a little more honest feeling for her husband, he will, sooner or later, get sick of it, whatever fancy techniques she may devise. If this type of woman is willing to recollect her thinking, my suggestion would be that she set aside from each pay cheque the amount by which her salary exceeds his. This private nest egg would be a wonderful surprise for him on the day he gets the big raise and she decides to start a family.

Now I have gotten a series of raises and am making more than Larry does. I hesitate to tell him this because you have to make men think they are smarter than you are, and, after all, I can't help it if I'm worth more money."

## It Needn't Be Resented

She then went on in some detail about what a little hot shot she is and did I think she should deceive poor dumb Larry or not?

Always in cases like this, the solution—or rather, the outward steps we take—depends entirely on our inner feelings. The woman who truly loves her husband believes in him, and knows he has a future. She thinks it's pretty silly that business should pay so little to him in the beginning. She laughs it off and, quite obviously, considers it a fluke that she should be paid more. In this situation no husband I have ever heard of resents his wife making more than he does.

## The Other Extreme

The other extreme is the woman who honestly feels that money in a beginning job is the whole measure of success, who

## Household Hint

Give them a look-over when you shop. Many of them carry true flower scents—carnation, jonquil, gardenia. If you buy the chiller powder, make tiny satin cushions, place them among your hankies, gloves, scarves and in your lingerie cases.

## For Harmony

Fashions in scents change as do fashions in dress. In mid-Victorian literature, the beautiful heroine wafted about in an enticing aroma of violets. It was supposed to be the one correct selection, though it now has less appeal. It's been topped with delicious blends or bouquets.

## Crab apple, arbutus and rose

were also old-time favourites now almost forgotten. No doubt they were in harmony with hoop skirts, tiny sunshades and phætones. Other days, other ways.

The perfume chemist deals in colours or the musical composer in tones—all of them strive for harmony. No woman should attempt to mix perfumes. The essences will put up a battle and destroy each other.

To get the most for your perfume investment, you should use other toiletries carrying the same fragrance. They will work together, become impregnated in your entire wardrobe. Bath salts, toilet water and talcum should carry the same aroma.

Do not overlook sachets. They are a wonderful investment. They have lasting qualities that often exceed those of perfumes and toilet waters that are considerably more expensive.

## Mr Punch didn't like to be hurried. But he liked even less to be scolded by Mrs Cuckoo. He made sure to be out of the house and on his way to the dentist before she looked out again at nine o'clock.

And on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, Mrs Cuckoo never forgot that Knarf and Hand had to be in school.

At seven o'clock sharp, she would call out: "Up-up-up-up-up-up... UP!"

Knarf and Hand would open their eyes.

"School today!" she would shout. "School! It's time to get ready to go to school!"

But on Saturdays and Sundays, at seven o'clock, and seven-thirty and even eight and sometimes nine o'clock, she would only whisper softly: "Sleep, sleep, sleep. There's no school today."

She would remind the Tin Soldier that it was time for him to return to his post at the playroom door.

She would remind everyone in the house when it was time to write letters when it was time to eat breakfast, and dinner, and supper; when it was time to go to work, and when it was time to play.

Poor Mr Punch was sorry that Mrs Cuckoo had reminded him about going to the dentist. But she wouldn't let him forget. She came to her door half an hour later.

And one thing that Mrs Cuckoo never seemed to forget was her friends' birthdays.

"Not ready yet, Mr Punch?"

"Hurry! I want you to be out of here when I look out again at nine o'clock!"

And so it happened that the

## Needed Winding

But there was one thing that Mrs Cuckoo never reminded anyone about. She never reminded them about winding the clock. She told them about everything else; she never told them about herself.

"We need her," they said. And how glad they all were when the clock was wound up again! How happy they all were to see her!

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## Rupert's Coral Island—7

in and have had their tea. Mrs Bear takes Rupert to a cliff top to see the view. "It's a pity, when a wonderful place like this, the children can't come and see it," says Mrs Bear. "Look at those great stacks of hard, flat sand with lovely broken strips of rock between them. No wonder the old boys are so fond of it!"

While the train arrives at Silverstrand everybody gets busy. Mrs Bear arranges for the luggage to be taken to the boarding house. Paulie collects his things and says "Goodbye" as the train starts for camp, while Rupert carries what

he can. After they have eaten

their meal, all sorts of

activities begin.

After the meal, the

children go to bed.

After the meal, the



## DUKE LUNCHES WITH ALL BLACKS



The Duke of Edinburgh meets the All Blacks Rugby Team from New Zealand at a Sportmen's Club luncheon given for them in London. On his left is Lord Aberdare and on his right the New Zealand Manager, Mr J. M. Millard.—Express Photo.

## TWO OVER-THE-FENCE HITS PUT THE ORCA AHEAD —BUT NOT FOR LONG

By "SNOOPER"

Bigest cheer of the afternoon during the grand exhibition softball game between the Hongkong Softball Association Selection and the USS Orca squad at King's Park yesterday in brilliant sunshine was the one that greeted diminutive Arturo Ozorio when he scored the winning run in the ninth inning on a glorious opportunity to give the Association side a 5-4 victory over the gobs.

The exhibition between two evenly-matched teams was witnessed by a good crowd of enthusiastic spectators.

In the curtain raiser, China edged out a Junior All Stars outfit by 1-0, the winning run being registered in the seventh stanza through Y. C. Ng who came home on a hit by Leung to left field.

First reaction to the last heading home, Hahn was tagged out at home plate for the first scoreless. In the meantime, Tsang raced to third and Liang reached second.

Lam Leung-ping was put out by shortstop Leroy Kingsbury for the second out.

A hit by Johnny Pereira to shortstop enabled him to reach first safely while Tsang came home to give the Association their first run. Y.S. Liang then went to first on an error by Bill Williams and Y.S. Liang crossed the plate for the second run. Pereira was tagged out by Williams for the third man out.

### SETTLED DOWN

The gobs also settled down to serious business to score a run in the first inning. Leroy Kingsbury got to first safely when Y.S. Liang muffed the ball.

A hit-bunt by Bob Hall advanced Kingsbury to third and when Hall attempted to steal second, catcher Raymond Tsao committed a vital error. His wild pitch to P.C. Wong afforded Kingsbury a glorious opportunity to score.

Then Hall threatened to score but was tagged out at third for one away. Bill Williams next hit a pop fly for two down. Jim Linville then went to first when P.C. Wong fumbled the ball and raced to second on a wild pitch. The inning came to a close when Donald Chambers was fanned out.

In the second inning the two sides were retired in 1-2-3 order.

In the bottom of the third stanza, Ralph Kvidera got a double to second and reached first base safely. Kingsbury then hit a single to right field and Leroy fumbled the ball to allow Kvidera to come home for the tying run. The scoreboard read: 2-2-2.

High priest went to Hall when he secured another hit to centre field to advance Kingsbury to third and he himself raced to second. Too keen to come home, Kingsbury was called out at third. The inning ended without further runs.

At the start of the fourth inning, pitcher Jackie Wei was yanked out and Vic Pedruco came into the scene. Both sides were retired in 1-2-3 order.

Although there was no score seen in the fifth, the feature of that inning was a hit by Peter Hahn who was left stranded at second, when the Association were retired. It was the same story in the sixth with batters of the two teams retired in rapid succession.

### DISCONCERTING

It must have been disconcerting to the Navy when a wild pitch by Kvidera in the seventh inning enabled Poon to score the Association's third run for a slim 3-2 lead.

Lee Poon-hing popped up to centre field for one away. Art Ozorio's hit straight into the pitcher's glove dimmed the Association's hopes of scoring, but then the unexpected happened.

Poon was given a base when he was hit by a pitch ball. Then Kvidera made a wild throw to second when Poon attempted to steal second, opening the way for Poon to come home by 1-0 in the curtain raiser.

## COMBINED SERVICES BEAT SAIGON 9-8 AFTER A HARD-WAGED BATTLE

By "PAK LO"

Yesterday afternoon the Cercle Sportif Saigonais kicked off against a strong Combined Services XV who finally beat them by 9 points to 8 after a hard waged battle, during which the fortunes of war swayed to and fro, and not until the final whistle went was victory certain.

However the credit must mainly go to the Services team who played most of the second half without Ferry, who was injured early on during this period. Nothing daunted by this reverse, they fought on until they emerged the deserving victors.

The French seemed to have wonderful performance of Saturday. But also they were disappointed as Milhas failed narrowly to score.

The Services' forwards definitely had the French three worried as they were bringing them down before they could really get under way. They did at last get away and Bedeade and Milhas made a fast run down the wing and for a minute it looked as if they would open the scoring there and then, but they were prevented...

**SOON RECTIFIED**

However this was soon rectified by Milhas when he made no mistake of a penalty just outside the Services' 25-yard line. He followed this up, a few minutes later with another attempt to score from a penalty but seemed to have lost his touch and failed.

Meanwhile the Services were playing a very good game. They were getting the ball from the scrum in the proportion of two to one, but the threes were lying too far away and the passes from their scrum half were not reaching them properly.

Again in the lineouts they were coming off best, and marking their men so well that the long lineouts used by the French were actually of more use to the Services than the French.

Then a penalty was awarded for "feet up" and Gerard scored from about 15 yards inside the French half. Then a few minutes later a second penalty was awarded, on the French 25-yard line, and again Gerard made no mistake when he was leaving with the Jobez trophy safely packed away.

It would have been an interesting game had they played the Services on Saturday when they seemed fresher and stronger. But they have certainly provided some excellent opposition and given all Rugger fans much pleasure with their fast clean playing.

**THE TEAMS**

Cercle Sportif Saigonais:—Bachet, Milhas, Gress, Massardo, Reynaldo, Bedeade, Deluanarie, Premet, Dubernet, Manzon, Rocchi, Duvivier, Bertrand, Perez, Palacio.

Combined Services:—Crosbie (Navy), Kepp (Army), Gerard (Army), Smith (Navy), Balderston (RAF), Brentford (Army), Collins (Army), Steven (Navy), Eve (Army), Daniel (Army), Davidson (RAF Capt.), Farthing (Army), Ferry (Army), Excel (Army), Gunton (Army).

### SECOND HALF

The second half opened with the Frenchmen attacking and the Services were lucky at this point to be awarded a penalty which enabled them to clear up to the halfway line.

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Then followed a fine high kick from the Services, but the forwards were not quite fast enough to get there in time to do any damage. However there was then a lot of midfield play in which the Services were awarded a penalty on the 25-yard line, and Gerard put neatly between the posts to bring the score to 9 to 3 for the Services.

And now the Frenchmen came into the picture, as they were beginning to break through the Services line in the lineouts, and the threes were getting away better and looked most dangerous.

And so they proved to be a few minutes later when Milhas made a long twisting run to the Services five-yard line. From the ensuing play Rocchi went over to score the first and last try of the game which was neatly converted by Milhas to bring the Frenchmen to eight points to the Services' nine.

It was just at this most exciting point that Ferry was injured and had to be carried off. And with the loss of Ferry the Services began to lose more of the set scrums, and the Frenchmen were beginning to make use of the gap in the Services line.

Massardo at this stage got the ball and, opening up the Services

**SNOOKER LEAGUE**

HK Sig Regt beat RAF Kai Tak 4-1 in the Snooker League for the George Younger Trophy last night.

Eastern beat CPO Tamar 6-0.

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## FAROUK'S PROPERTY IN EGYPT

## Will Finance New Social Schemes

Cairo, Nov. 8. Confiscated property in Egypt of members of the former royal family will be used to finance the Government's social, health and cultural schemes, a spokesman of the Revolution Headquarters said today.

The property of members of the Muhammad Ali dynasty is estimated at 15,000,000 Egyptian pounds (about £15,300,000 sterling) worth of landholdings which have been expropriated under the Agrarian Reform Law.

Ex-King Farouk alone owned more than 33,000 acres of arable land, his mother and sisters about 4,000 each, while the aggregate land holdings of Princesses and Princesses of the royal family were estimated at about half a million acres or a tenth of the total cultivated areas in Egypt.

Ex-King Farouk and members of his family also owned several palaces and stocks and shares, jewellery and yachts.

The spokesman of the Revolution Headquarters said that the property and assets of General Ahmed Oraby and five other leaders of the unsuccessful Oraby rebellion in the 1800's against Tewfik Pasha (Khedive of Egypt from 1879-1882) would be restored to their rightful heirs out of the confiscated property of the former royal family.

The Revolutionary Command Council announced the confiscation of the royal properties last night.—China Mail Special.

## E. German Gesture To Workers

Berlin, Nov. 9. East Germany is to give

£4,000,000 East marks (about £7,500,000 at the official rate) as Christmas bonuses to workers in State industry, the Soviet High Commission newspaper Taegliche Rundschau reported today.

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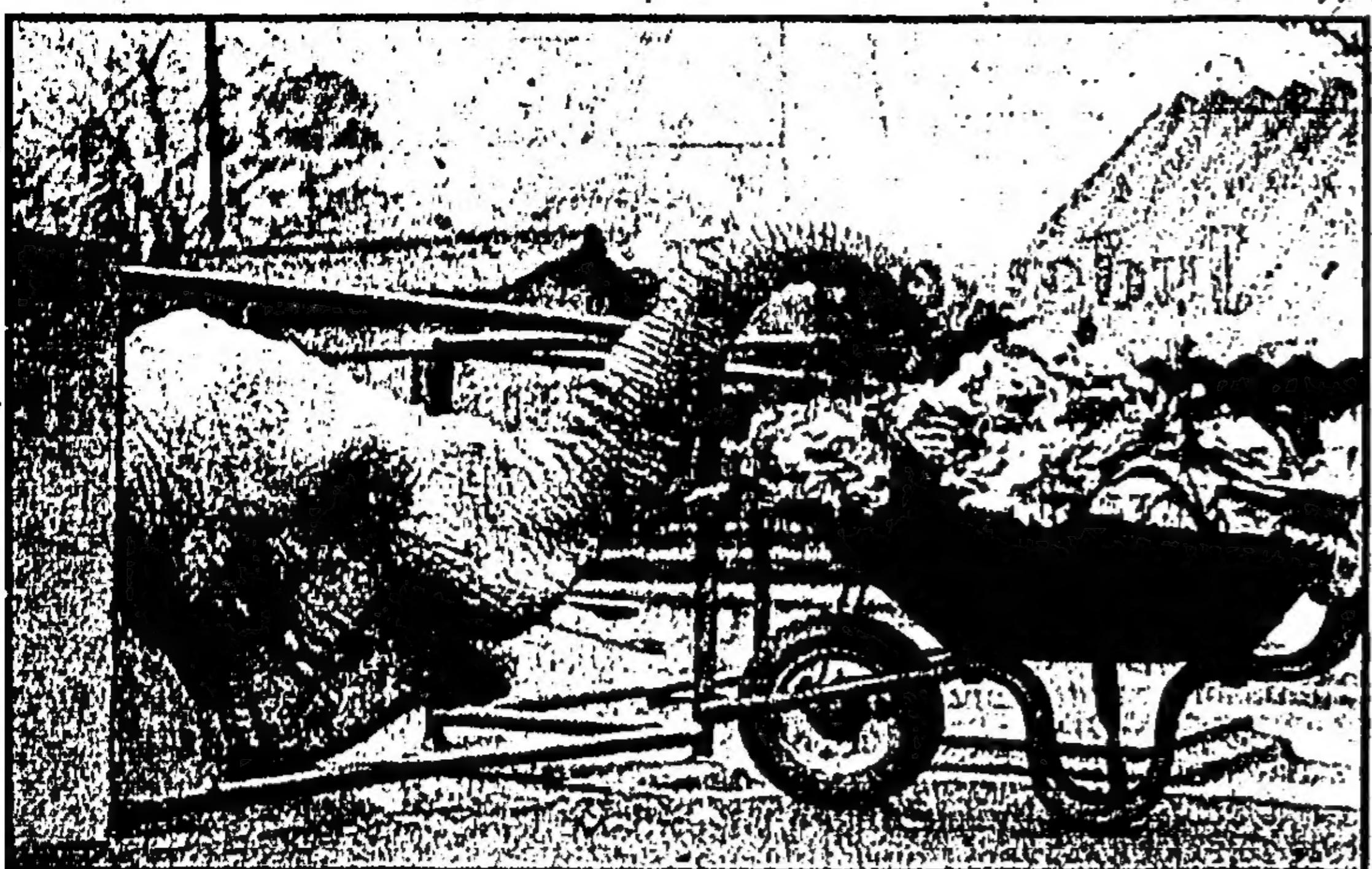
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## London Zoo Elephant Helps Herself



Dickie, an African elephant at the London Zoo, doesn't believe in letting an opportunity for some extra rations go by, and here the photographer catches her as she selects a nice cabbage from the barrow, while the keeper's back is turned. — Reuterphoto.

## French Government Annoyed By British Trade Policy

### Autumn Election In Miniature

One effect of Parliament's long summer recess has been an accumulation of by-elections. Four are now pending, forming a miniature autumn election.

Two of the seats concerned, Crosby and Ormskirk, are impregnably Conservative, with majorities last time of 14,783 and 18,821 respectively.

The two other vacant seats provide a prospect of Labour electorating. Ilford North and St. Pancras South were held in 1951 by the late Mr S. W. Jagger for Labour with a majority of only 1,759—and this in a three-cornered fight with the Liberal candidate polling 1,616. Paddington North, which is being vacated by Mr W. J. Field, was held for Labour at the last election by 4,085.

### Mystery Play Will Tour York Streets

A wagon will clatter through the streets of York next year, portraying the Bible story of the Flood as it was told in the city 400 years ago.

The wagon will stop at three points where a drum and trumpet will call the people together and the players will enact the story of Noah and the Ark. The play will be part of the city's 1954 Festival and also of York's Cycle of Mystery Plays.

Originally, all the plays in the Cycle were acted on wagons, with different guilds taking different sections.

Spectators remained at one site and saw various scenes enacted, then one wagon moved on and was replaced by that of another guild, portraying another part of the Bible story.

Next year, however, the Cycle of Mystery Plays will be portrayed during the 1951 Festival, in the Museum Gardens, and only the story of Noah will be taken through the streets in mediaeval style.

### Ceremonies In Ankara

Ankara, Nov. 9. Impressive ceremonies will mark the transfer on November 10 of the remains of Ataturk, founder of the Turkish Republic, from a temporary resting place in Ankara to a massive mausoleum on the outskirts of the capital. November 10 is the anniversary of Ataturk's death in 1938.

Mr M. Celal Bayar, President of the Republic, will deliver a funeral oration.

Earth from graves of Turkish soldiers killed in Korea and other Turkish battlefields will be laid in the tomb of the mausoleum, with earth from Selcuk, Ataturk's birthplace, and from his mother's grave at Izmir.

—China Mail Special.

Paris, Nov. 9. French police and French diplomats are fighting a double battle against the disastrous effects on the French Commonwealth of a "too favourable" British attitude in trading with Japan, the Iron Curtain and Germany.

It looks, in fact, as though the traditional close friendship between the two greatest Commonwealths in the world—the French and the British—is going through its roughest time for years.

The Diplomatic and the Police actions in this dispute—with many millions of pounds and much goodwill at stake—are these:

**The Diplomatic:**  
In Paris and Calais, Australia, the French have started protest talks against a British Commonwealth trade policy which France calls "an impelling her own commerce."

In the past year, the Japanese have almost doubled their Australian wool purchases. During the same time, France's exports to Australia have dropped by nearly two-thirds. But she has bought one-fifth more Australian goods, according to the French.

Frankest comment on the situation comes from the French Chamber of Commerce in Australia, which says in its local bulletin, reprinted in Paris:

#### THE IMPLICATION

"Considering the facts that our two countries have always been on the best of terms, a friendship sealed in blood during two world wars, it seems to us that, on sentiment alone, better treatment should be given to us when it comes to choosing between French goods and imports from former enemies of Australia."

The French bulletin points out that 10,000,000 bales of wool—which accumulated during the war were sold by Australia to countries other than Japan. Furthermore, in the five years which followed, the total Australian wool clip was total without a year of Japanese purchases.

So why, asks the French, why does Australia now need to sell to Japan in order as they say, to buy from the Japanese?

The implication, say the French, is that Australia is selling wool to Japan to take advantage of Japan's cheap labor, but sooner, exports at the cost of her European friends, France included.

#### COLOSSAL LOSSES

**The Police:**  
In France's West African colonies two senior inspectors of the Paris Surete's Financial Branch have been making a special investigation.

They now assert that the French Government is losing not less than £50,000,000 a year.

According to their report—at present under review by French Government officials—it appears that French West African traders are buying Japanese, Iron Curtain and German goods at "unbeatable" prices from the British West African colonies.

These goods, smuggled across French African borders, avoid customs and direct and indirect taxation "to an enormous degree."

To obtain the sterling to buy these goods in the British colonies the traders are dealing through a black market currency ring operating in Switzerland, Beirut and New York.

A large number of arrests of French operators and black market traders all along the route from West Africa through Algeria and back to Paris is shortly expected.

### Colonies Like A Trapeze Artist

Many British colonies are like a trapeze artist, balanced on top of a ladder, with nowhere to step off.

A Socialist peer, Lord Oggmore, said this in the House of Lords when he asked for closer association between Britain and her overseas territories.

He had tabled a question asking whether "whether in the fact that many colonial territories cannot in the foreseeable future become independent members of the Commonwealth for economic, multi-racial or other causes" the Government would make proposals for the closer association for such territories with the United Kingdom.

The Earl of Munster, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies, told him that it was still the Government's policy to give all colonial territories the greatest possible degree of internal self-government. They did not, however, think it possible to define that general policy statement more closely in terms that would apply everywhere.

Circumstances, said the Earl of Munster, varied greatly from territory to territory and the arrangements for each had to be determined in the light of local conditions and the views of the local cri.

Lord Oggmore pointed out that he was not talking about internal self-government but about closer association between the colonies and the rest of the Commonwealth.

This drew the official response: "There has been a continual constitutional advance in almost every single colony throughout the Commonwealth and Empire." The Earl of Munster agreed with another questioner that when he had spoken of "internal self-government" he had in mind "ultimate self-government."

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### Asia's Largest Observatory

Tokyo, Nov. 9. The Japanese Education Ministry is planning to build the largest astronomical observatory in Asia.

The observatory, to cost 327,000,000 yen (£327,000 sterling), will have a 74-inch diameter telescope which is to be made in England. The largest telescope in Asia at present is a 26-inch instrument owned by the Mitaka Observatory in Tokyo.

Work is to begin on the new observatory in April next year and will be completed within five years. —China Mail Special.

## TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

### London Stock Market Has Busiest Period In Two Years

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

London, Nov. 9.

Authoritative sources said tonight that the United States and Indonesia still are deadlocked in their negotiations concerning possible American purchases of Indonesian tin next year.

An Indonesian tin delegation has been here for more than a fortnight trying to reach some agreement with officials of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, which buys tin for the United States.

The Indonesians have made a formal offer to sell tin to the

United States under the same formula worked out this year for Bolivian tin. However, so far, the United States has refused to agree.

The hard bargaining attitude of the U.S., according to qualified officials, is due to the fact that the U.S. stockpile of tin is at 100 per cent of its goal and there is no pressing need for any Indonesian tin unless it can be bought at "bargain" prices.

The U.S. and Indonesia in March 1952 made an agreement under which the Americans would purchase 20,000 tons per year of Indonesian tin for the next three years at a "mutually agreed price." During the first two years of the contract the agreed price has been \$1.21 for New York.

The Indonesians now are

interested in getting agreement on the final year of the contract which begins next March.

They have offered to supply tin under the so-called "Bolivian formula."

#### ON AVERAGE

This formula provides that the price of any individual shipment of tin shall be determined upon the average between the spot New York price and the three-month future price.

The future price on the New York market is usually three cents below the spot price.

Tin at present sells in New York on a nearby "basis" at 82½ cents per pound while the three-month future price is 80 cents.

The Indonesian and American negotiators did not even meet with each other this week. Instead they exchanged letters.

The Indonesian letter pointed out that the U.S. is under obligation to buy 20,000 tons next year at an agreed price and added that it would appear only just that Indonesia be given the same pricing formula as that recorded Bolivia.

The American Government replied that it was not the obligation of the U.S. Government to accept that agreement. However, according to Indonesian officials, the U.S. made only just that Indonesia be given the same pricing formula as that recorded Bolivia.

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But before the week-end, the

market had other things to think about. The trouble in Trieste was an unsettling factor and the rejection by the employers of the engineering unions' demand for a 15 per cent wage increase led to fears of unrest on the labour front.

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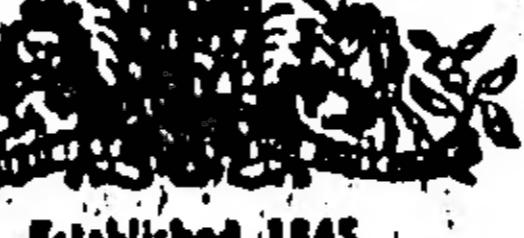
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## Worse To Come

MARY lived in one of those quiet London suburbs where respectability is supreme among the virtues.

Upon no one in the neighbourhood did the badge of respectability appear to sit more becomingly than upon her. She might, indeed, this generously proportioned woman of 44, have been chosen to personify the virtue.

"Very nice lady," her neighbours would say, "her husband's in business something quite important, travels to the Continent, you know."

### THE PAST

NONE of the neighbours knew that Mary, as a girl of 20, had spent six months in prison. Had they been told, I doubt if they would have believed it.

Rather than stay alone in the house when her husband set off the other day for another business trip to the Continent, Mary decided to stay with a friend in another suburb.

She travelled from the one place to the other by way of the West End, where she thought she would look at the shops.

### THE PRESENT

In one shop, Mary, who nearly a quarter of century ago had been sent to prison for stealing, was seen by a store detective to steal again. The detective watched her walk off with a bag full of mallowbrush.

Outside in the street, Mary was stopped and asked about the mallowbrush. "No, no, I didn't pay for it," she said.

"You must come back with me to the manager's office," the detective said.

On the way back, Mary pulled from her shopping bag a flap-jack, and handing it to the detective said: "You've been very good, done this thing very nicely, I'd like you to have this."

"Didn't you pay for that flap-jack?" the detective asked, declining the gift.

"No," answered Mary.

### TESTIMONIAL

BY the time the police arrived, it had been established that Mary's total haul from the shop consisted of two nail-brushes, the flap-jack and two plastic bags. Total value, 10/- od.

At Marlborough Street next morning she pleaded guilty to stealing all these, and when counsel for the store had told the story of her crime, a police-woman went into the witness-box, and said to Mr Paul Bennett, VC, the magistrate: "There are two previous convictions, sir..."

Besides being sent to prison for stealing in 1929, Mary had been bound over for thefts from a house where she was staying in 1941.

"What do you want to say?" Mr Bennett asked her.

For answer she handed up a letter, a testimonial written by the friend with whom she had been on her way to stay.

### THE FUTURE

THE magistrate read aloud extracts from it. "Always known her as straight and honest... not well built." He asked Mary: "Did your friend know of your convictions?"

"No—not until last night," Mary sobbed. Even then, she had told only of the 1941 crime. She had not been able to bring herself to confess to her friend the other that had led to prison.

"If those convictions had been more recent, I should have sent you to prison again," the magistrate said. "As it is, you will pay £10 fine and three guineas costs, or go to prison for a month."

Mary, sobbing, went out to pay the penalty—using that emblem of respectability, a cheque from her own cheque-book. Presently, in the local papers, neighbours would read of Mary's crime and her history. That day and those that followed would be the worst of all.

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## OUR AUSTRALIAN NEWSLETTER The Grasshoppers Become Major Problem

From H. King Wood

Sydney, Nov. 8.—The Federal and State Governments are still working out plans as to how best the defence forces can go into battle against the grasshopper hordes which are cleaning out some of the State's best pastures.

But apparently the grasshoppers haven't heard about this because they are merrily going their way causing hundreds of thousands of pounds worth of damage and turning a good season into a drought.

Last week the Prime Minister, Mr Menzies, sent a telegram to the NSW Premier, Mr Cahill, offering to make servicemen available. Since then service and State heads have been working out a plan of what best to do.

Fighting grasshoppers is admittedly a much different kettle of fish to fighting the Queen's enemies, but landowners who watch everything disappear in minutes, green or brown, have a feeling that the best place to work things out would be on the battlefield.

An Army spokesman said in Sydney this week: "We could find quite a number of mechanical equipment operators if they are needed."

"Just how many troops would be available is hard to say until the State authorities tell us what their requirements are, skilled and unskilled, tradesmen and so on."

In the words of one old soldier, if they don't make up their minds soon, it will be a case of a nil return.

Unless you have seen these grasshoppers on the wing—and that is when they cause the damage—you can have no idea what they are like.

One patch seen in the rich Hunter Valley last week covered an area between 20 and 30 miles long and 15 to 20 miles wide—not just a few hoppers, but literally millions of them. As they moved on they left only bare earth where a few minutes before had been rich, green grass.

Mr G.S.B. Falkiner, owner of the famous Hudson Big merino stud at Wauwen, said 80,000 acres of his best land had been eaten bare. He said that in less than a month the grasshoppers had turned a fair region into one of drought for him.

"I have had to start hand-feeding 40,000 stud sheep on the property," he added.

Ken Rosewall, who has been playing the world's top tennis since he was 15, is now one of the top-ranking three, turned 19 this week.

That means that he is no longer officially a junior and can play against men.

As a matter of fact, Lewis Head, another world champion could play in the Junior championships this year if he wanted to—he will be 19 on November 23—two days after the championships end.

**NOT A SUCCESS**  
In spite of elaborate publicity the newest synthetic fibres had not been the success for which their promoters had hoped and the fibres themselves had proved to be no cheaper than wool. Mr Ewen Waterman, chairman and Australian member of the International Wool Secretariat, said in Sydney this week:

The Employers' Federation vice-president, Mr A. L. Blake, had a crack this week at workers who beat the whistle.

Mr Blake said that working time lost in Australia was far greater than in Europe or the United States.

He said vital production hours were lost within the 40-hour week due to employees starting late and preparing to leave before the whistle. He called it a "very serious problem."

Time lost from this cause also exceeded that in all other countries, he added.

### REQUISITIONING OF NIGHT CLUB

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the French Ambassador M. René Mansigl and a spokesman said they discussed a conference on Trieste of the United States, Britain, France, Italy and Yugoslavia.

The Yugoslav Ambassador M. Vindimir Volebit, was later called to confer with Mr Eden. His chief, President Tito, has said Yugoslav will march if an Italian soldier enters Trieste.

The scientists were called on the job because of reports that fish have been disappearing from their feeding grounds several times a year for no apparent reason and all efforts to discover this when requested.

## Flagstaff House Visitor



## Alleged Banking Offences

Admiral Felix B. Stump, Commander-in-Chief, US Navy, Pacific, who arrived on a visit to the Colony on Sunday, called on H.E. the Commander, British Forces, Hongkong (Lt-General Sir Terence Airey, KCMG, CB, CBE) at Flagstaff House this morning. He was accompanied by Vice-Admiral W. K. Phillips, Commanding 1st US Fleet, and the American Consul-General, Mr Julian Harrington.

The admiral, on his arrival at the main gate of Flagstaff House, inspected a Quarter Guard of the 27 Heavy AA Regt, Royal Artillery.

On Wednesday, General Airey will conduct Admiral Stump on a tour of the New Territories. Photograph above shows Admiral Stump inspecting the Honour Guard at Flagstaff House.—Staff Photographer.

Counsel said that he (Mr Prior) had asked the defendant to withdraw from the case. The defendant, Kwek Siang-ling, merchant, of Room 4, Mezzanine Floor, Telephone House, was not present in Court and was not represented by Counsel.

"Mr Cheung," informed the Court that Mr J. T. Prior, who was in Court and who formerly represented the defendant, had asked Counsel to say that he (Mr Prior) had no further instructions from the defendant, and to ask the leave of the Court to withdraw from the case. The request was granted and Mr Prior left the Court.

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SHARE SCRIP

This was agreed to by the defendant who signed a promissory note for \$20,000, at the same time handing to witness through Mr Yu a share scrip for 100 shares in the Ching Siong Investment Co., Ltd.

Witness said he then gave Mr Yu a cheque for \$10,000 payable to defendant. He also credited Mr Yu in the company's books with \$10,000.

Repayments towards the principal sum amounted to \$7,075 in September, 1949. In the latter part of that month, Mr Yu on behalf of defendant approached him for a loan of \$20,000 to defendant. He agreed on the condition that defendant paid Mr Yu's debt of \$10,000 owing to plaintiff company.

COUNSEL

It was a condition of a loan of \$20,000 to defendant that he (defendant) would discharge Mr Yu's debt, a condition which defendant accepted. Defendant signed a promissory note for \$20,000 and plaintiffs handed Mr Yu a cheque for \$10,000. Mr Yu's debt of \$10,000 was accordingly extinguished in plaintiffs' books, said Counsel.

Solomon said in a short interview that he was most happy to be in Hongkong, particularly because it files the Union Jack which made him feel nearer home. He added: "It is my privilege to play to the music lovers of Hongkong."

He gave 22 concerts while in Japan, which lasted six weeks.

Solomon said this was his first time here, but he was in the East in 1948, when he came out to play for troops in Malaya, Singapore and Indo-China.

From here he will go to Manila and Malaya to give concerts, after which he will go to Europe before returning to his home in London.

His first concert will take place on Thursday, and the second on Saturday, both at the Empire Theatre.

Solomon was met at the airport by Mr and Mrs Harry Odell.

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